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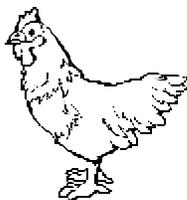
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were trending unchanged in the major terminal markets when compared to a week earlier. Trade sentiment was steady at best in the East, and cautious but generally steady elsewhere. Demand was irregular as traders assesses post-holiday movement and reorders. Fast food movement was reported in several locations as being good. Supplies of all sizes were usually available. Trucks were still being reported as short of full needs. In the parts structure, white meat items improved, but dark meat remained fully sufficient for trade needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable.

Preliminary report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 07/08/02-07/13/02 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
(Including branded product)				
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	48.00-51.00	48.00-66.75	50.50	24
Los Angeles	69.00			
New York	50.00-52.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	63.00-64.50	46.00-65.00	63.39	82

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 64.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
818	55.25-66.50	64.08

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	178.00	1,047
BREASTS - B/S	154.50	4,233
BREASTS - WHOLE	83.00	1,120
THIGH MEAT - B/S	73.00	641
LEG QUARTERS	21.00	7,406
WINGS	53.00	2,858

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MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's final. The trade sentiment on whole fryers was steady. Offerings varied, but sufficient for the light to moderate buyer interest. Retail and food service demand was improved, mostly moderate to occasionally good with increased traffic into retail centers noted for the holiday. Floor stocks were generally well cleared to adequate. Weights were mixed. Trading on parts items was selective and light overall. Offerings of breast items limited to adequate, dark meat items and wings fully sufficient and discounted. The market tone was steady on breast items with dark meat and wings barely steady, undertone weak.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was fair to good, although floor stocks remain adequate for holiday interest. Food service orders were moderate to good with best movement noted into fast food outlets. Trucks remain short of needs. In the parts structure, interest on dark meat items was slow, Inquiry on white meat items improved but was still only moderate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were unchanged from last Friday's levels. Trading reported for next week's deliveries was limited and at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings were adequate overall. Buying interest was selective as buyer's reassess after holiday needs. Demand was moderate to good best for parts. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 48-89, whole cut-up 79, whole seasoned 98, roaster 118-129, Cornish hen 128-159, Cornish hens 12 count case 1895, boneless breast 169-398, marinated boneless breast 549, boneless thigh meat 167, boneless leg meat 99, split breast 89-99, whole leg 99, leg quarter 10# bag 190-390, leg quarter 78, wing 77-127, wing 40# case 2599, party wing 4# IQF 399, thigh 49-99, thigh 4# IQF 276, drumstick 49-99, drumstick 5# bag 195, drumstick 4# IQF 276, corn dogs 2.67# 398, corn dogs 3# 499, chicken frank 79; Northern California - whole body 49, boneless breast 179-299, breast 129, thigh 69-139, drumstick 69-139, whole leg 99-139; Arizona - whole body 89-119, roaster 99, boneless breast 179-299, boneless breast 4# IQF 999, boneless 2.5# IQF 599-699, breast tenderloin 179-299, breast tenderloins 2.5 IQF 599, split breast 99, leg quarter 10# bag 190-390, hot wing 299, thigh 99-119, drumstick 99.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair to moderate entering the weekend, as dealers assessed market conditions following the holiday. Offerings of all sizes were more than sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate best where limited feature activity was planned. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, breast items were mostly adequate and clearing. Dark meat cuts were readily available. Wings, thighs and thigh meat were fully adequate.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mostly fair. Seller offerings varied by both size and volume available, but were fully sufficient for current inquiry. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed and irregular in a full range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy and included some spot operations on Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 67 cents. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. In the parts complex, bone-in and boneless skinless breasts were generally noted as adequate and in the better balance compared to other cuts which were more than sufficient.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA
BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE		46-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		53.01
NO. OF BOXES		7,637
CUMULATIVE	07/01/02-07/05/02	52.27
	07/02/01-07/06/01	59.81
NO. OF BOXES	07/01/02-07/05/02	36,862
	07/02/01-07/06/01	50,183

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	POUNDS (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	911	129.00-220.00	139-144	141.72	3,620	141.26
TENDERLOINS	146	110.00-195.00	110-115	131.92	532	133.56
BREAST - LINE RUN	123	84.00-89.00	85-86	85.75	400	85.20
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				249	62.33
LEGS	89	22.00-37.00	22-23	23.52	358	23.51
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	399	15.00-19.00	16	16.19	1,636	16.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,408	17.00-26.00	19-21	20.59	5,712	20.49
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	47.00-55.00	54-55	53.95	1,180	54.29
WINGS (CUT)	361	61.00-65.00	62-63	62.13	1,634	63.54
DRUMSTICKS	100	32.00-43.50	-	35.92	305	37.12
THIGHS	143	34.00-47.00	-	41.39	228	39.96
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				77	79.96

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JULY 5, 2002— F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
37.65 - 42.50	39.66	39.37

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair to moderate entering the weekend as most dealers accessed needs following the holiday. Offerings of breast items were about adequate to adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were readily available. Wings were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate with best interest centering on scattered feature activity. The market tone was generally steady on breast items; leg items were barely steady to weak.

PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	WEEKLY WTD AVG	WEEKLY VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	146.61	376,880	145.42	1,873,810
TENDERLOINS	105-110	103.14	87,680	104.76	572,870
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	84.56	138,520	85.32	645,960
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	79.95	117,720	79.35	477,960
LEGS	32-33	33.02	152,560	35.89	493,680
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	20.65	619,920	20.82	2,257,470
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	34.20	152,670	32.91	671,320
THIGHS	18-19	27.68	124,500	26.74	538,070
B/S THIGHS	68-69	70.12	87,520	72.81	416,400
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	60.42	120,200	60.62	575,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.21	32,360	12.13	108,500
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	17.50	11,360	16.60	55,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	37.69	21,120	38.27	89,390

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		AVG WTS	
	07/05	07/04	07/03	06/30	07/03	06/30	06/28	06/26
ALA	3,983	(A)	3,963	3,860	4.95	4.96	4,492	5.11
ARK	4,422	(A)	4,990	5,260	4.90	4.94	5,349	4.95
DELMARVA	2,585	(A)	2,349	2,372	5.12	5.04	3,118	5.08
KY-LA-TN	2,027	(A)	2,056	2,031	4.49	4.54	2,181	4.57
MISS	3,208	(A)	2,825	2,916	5.28	5.35	2,554	5.39
NC	3,181	(A)	2,684	2,659	5.96	5.90	3,466	6.06
TEXAS	1,941	1,655	1,908	2,387	4.81	4.92	3,096	4.94
TOTAL	21,347	5,642	20,775	21,544	5.07	5.09	24,256	5.15
MON-FRI	91,886(B)						110,916(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-Jul 02 and 6-Jul-02 is estimated to be 31,938,000 down 12.26 percent from a week ago and down 13.5 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 36,399,000; last year 36,928,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 06-Jul-02 is estimated to be 132,868,000 head down 18 percent from a week ago, and down 3 percent from a year ago

(Last week 162,191,000 Last year 136,728,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	94-95
	DRY PACK	96-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	104-113
	DRY PACK	113
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	
	ICE PACK	94-98
DUCKS		152-166

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending 22-Jun-02 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service 4.20 Lbs & down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	19,8352	3,7644	6,047
Avg Weight	3.56	4.78	6.07
% of total /1	22%	27%	51%

COMPARISONS			
Last week	33,870	21,275	50,248
Avg Weight	3.79	4.72	6.10
% of total /1	32%	20%	48%
Same week, yr ago /2	28,769	25,380	34,895
Avg Weight	3.71	4.77	5.98
% of total /1	32%	29%	39%
To date/2002	726,007	612,808	1,177,087
To date/2001	807,833	654,307	1,129,563

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 29-Jun-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	162,191	1,572	1,582	3,154	407
AVG WT	5.22	3.37	8.17	5.78	6.71
LAST WEEK	159,348	1,703	1,517	3,220	505
SAME WK YR AGO	164,632	1,931	1,418	3,349	484
AVG WT	4.91	3.41	8.43	5.53	6.42
TO-DATE/2002	4,020,010	47,075	34,933	82,008	11,349
TO-DATE/2001	3,973,796	46,788	35,014	81,802	13,039

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 161.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 163.1 million head or 1.9 million head more than or 101% of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: JULY 02, 2002

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL POULTRY

	RANGE		RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.00 - 1.10	Silkie	1.50 - 2.00ea.
Pekin Ducks	.50 - .82	Pigeons	2.00 - 2.75ea.
Red Fowl 4-4.5 LBS	.40 - .62	White Pigeons	3.75 - 4.50ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.50 - .74	Rabbits	
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.60 - .82	4-6 LBS	.40 - .74
Crossbred Roosters		Rabbits	
4-6 LBS	.80 - 1.10	7-11 LBS	.40 - .62
Crossbred Roosters		Bunnies	.50 - 2.00ea.
7-11 LBS	.50 - .94	Guinea Pigs	1.00 - 5.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	.55 - .65	Goats	30.00 - 55.00ea.
Banty Roosters	4.00 - 7.00ea.	Kid Goats	19.00 - 30.00ea.
Banty Hens	2.50 - 4.00ea.	Doves	4.00 - 7.00ea.

Total Coops Sold 488

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 01-JUL-2001
DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND MOSTLY	137	143
MIDWEST MOSTLY	122-126	123-127

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	54-55	
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65-85	65-75

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	60.48-69.66
14 OZ.	66.96-76.14
16 OZ.	73.44-83.43

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Weights were desirable to at times light. Schedules full-time to reduced due to the holiday. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.25-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.35-1.45, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$.35-.50, livers at \$.75-1.70, and feet at \$.80-1.15.

NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 01-JUL-2001

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS MOSTLY	116-124	125

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	AVG WT
MAY	25	161.8	159.4 102% 5.07
	1	147.4	158.6 93% 5.21
	8	160.8	159.2 101% 5.12
JUNE	15	158.3	160.6 99% 5.18
	22	161.3	160.9 100% 5.08
	29	163.1	161.2 101% 5.22
YEAR TO DATE	4067.9	4093.0	99%
JUNE	6	161.2	
	13	161.6	

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

W/E	-----THOUSANDS-----		% CHG	06/30/01	% CHG
Broilers	06/29/02	06/22/02			
	132,868	162,191*	-18	136,728*	-03
Cattle	527	671	-21	521*	+01
Hogs	1,451	1,830	-21	1,407*	+03

Under Federal Inspection

* ACTUAL

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower on heavy canners; unchanged on the lights when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were at least adequate to fully adequate but clearing satisfactorily. Demand was mostly moderate but unaggressive. The undertone was mostly steady.

LIGHT CANNER HENS**(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)**

21-25 MAJORITY 21-22

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS**(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)**

23-27.5 MAJORITY 23

HEAVY CANNER HENS**(WITHOUT NECKS)**

28-38 MAJORITY 30-32

HEAVY CANNER HENS**(WITHOUT NECKS)**

29-38 MAJORITY 32-33

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

<u>HEAVY</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
<u>LIGHT</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)
No. Central Light	0	(2)
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loading	

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

EASTERN LIGHT

Prices were unchanged. Buyers were unaggressive for the fully adequate to ample offerings. Processings schedules for next week were reported as normal. Movement of finished product was moderate with offerings adequate for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report. Demand for heavy fowl was light. Offerings were fully adequate for a reduced kill schedule. Finished sales were moderate. Trade sentiment was only steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Offerings ample to burdensome as excess spent hens enter rendering facilities where available at increased cost to the producer. Demand was very light. Schedules full-time for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were fully adequate. Processing schedules were reported as normal for next week. Finished product supplies were irregular but were generally sufficient for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were only fair. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was about steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked desired slaughter schedules. Demand was adequate. Offerings were in fairly good balance.

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